

THE PRESIDENT'S INTELLIGENCE CHECKLIST

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1. Congo

a. The military situation has gotten worse.

b. The rebels entered Bukavu yesterday, and fighting was still going on this morning.

c. The local ANC commander believes the city can be held with reinforcements. A company--with a Belgian officer--is being air-lifted by C-130 from Leopoldville.

d. US Consulate personnel have been evacuated to Rwanda, but one member and two US military advisors are missing.

e. Tutsi refugees from Rwanda apparently are spearheading the rebel attack. If they take Bukavu, an invasion of Rwanda seems almost certain.

f. In Kwilu, about 8,000 rebels are approaching the capital, Kikwit. The government garrison consists of only one and a half companies.

g. In Leopoldville, the security forces are trying to forestall a possible CNL-sponsored uprising. They have

carried out a series of arrests that may or may not have succeeded in discouraging the conspirators.

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h. Meanwhile, Tshombé's requests for military assistance have touched off an African "Alphonse and Gaston" act. So far, none of those countries approached has given anything but an equivocal response.

2. Cyprus

a. Athens appears convinced that a quick move for enosis is imperative, but is still uncertain how to bring it about.

b. Greek Defense Minister Garofoulis is being sent to Nicosia, apparently to weigh chances.

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3. Tanganyika-
Zanzibar

a. Nyerere's efforts to insulate Vice President Karume from Communist influence are being set-back.

b. One of Zanzibar's most competent Communists has been appointed junior minister to Karume. He will control and be present at Karume's appointments.

c. Last week Karume dismissed the chief justice of Zanzibar, a British expatriate whom Nyerere himself had appointed.

d. Karume again publicly avowed Zanzibar's undying friendship for East Germany. on 17 August, the same day a Chinese Communist trade delegation arrived in Zanzibar.

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4. South Vietnam

a. Khanh has given Ambassador Taylor a few more details on the reorganization.

b. One new item, which is at variance with previous reporting, is Khanh's statement that General Khiem may not be named vice president. Khanh says he is looking for a qualified civilian.

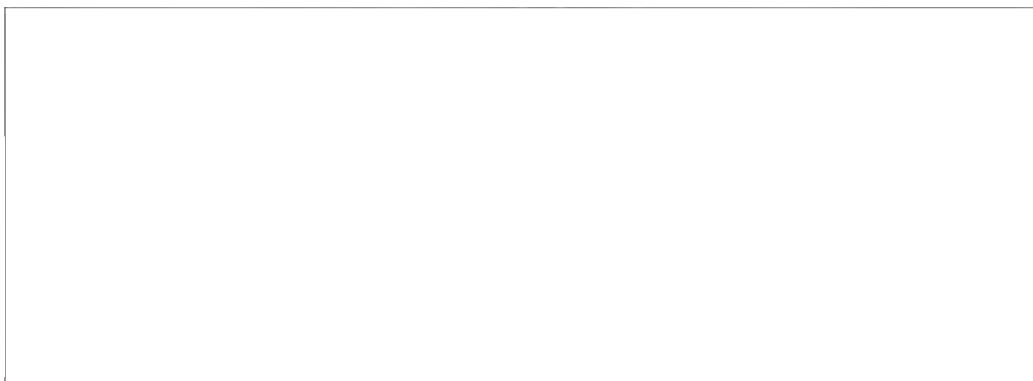
c. We had thought Khanh would have to mollify the ambitious Khiem by conceding him the number-two slot.

d. Khanh also said the changes will not involve any upsetting of the provincial leadership. There will be no purges which might interfere with the counterinsurgency program.

e. Big Minh appears to be under control. Khanh says Minh has no choice but to accept the situation.

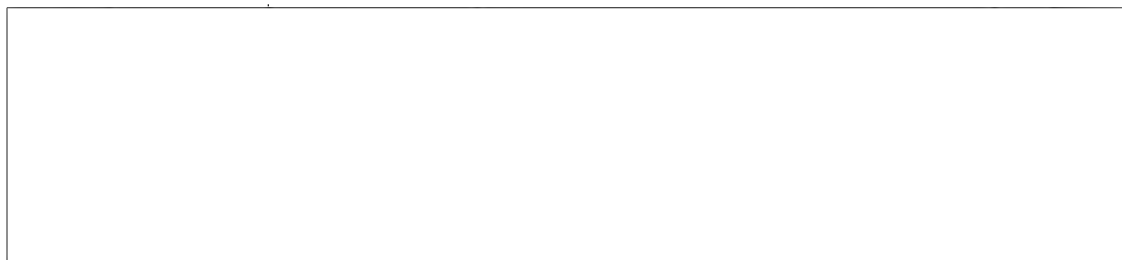
f. Buddhists demonstrated again today in Saigon, calling on Khanh to remove certain junior officials or face a "general protest campaign."

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B. Ghana-US The clash of US and Ghanaian policies in the Congo may lead Nkrumah to make another try at reducing the US presence and influence in Ghana. Previous crises in US-Ghanaian relations since 1960 have accompanied frustrated attempts by Nkrumah to support Congolese radicals.



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- D. Saudi Arabia - Yemen Faysal is again threatening to renew aid to the Yemeni royalists. He told Ambassador Hart on Monday that Yemen-based UAR planes recently violated Saudi territory, that UAR troops were moving northward toward the Saudi border, and that there was a UAR-Iraq-Jordan plot to divide up his country. After a long discussion with Hart, Faysal appeared to calm down, but the session illustrates Faysal's continued frustration over Yemen and the possibility that some day he may follow through with his threat.

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USSR - Communist China

a. A preliminary examination of the second package of [redacted] Mission [redacted] indicates good coverage of the Tyuratam range-head and reveals new information on the Chinese Communist atomic energy program.

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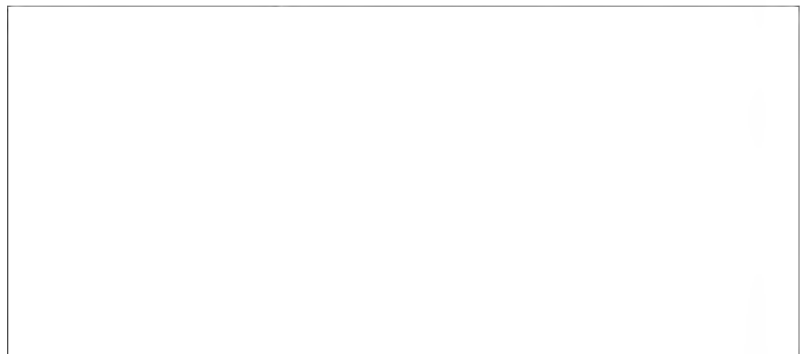
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b. Mission 1009 confirms the impression given by 1006 in early June of intensive construction and launch activity at Tyuratam.

c. Discovery of additional large radars under construction at a complex in Siberia indicates more clearly that this facility is for satellite tracking.

d. The coverage of the Lop Nor site in China provides convincing evidence that this is a nuclear test site. It could be ready for a test within a matter of months.

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